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There are busy times nowadays around at the Rio Verde offices. President Sheldon and Secretary Doolittle are off in a private room signing their names as if for dear life, while in the ante-rooms and office are congregated the officials and settlers and canal constructors, telling each other what great things will soon come to pass.

The excitement centers around a box of very nicely engraved bonds, with coupons attached, each bond calling for \$1,000, and the coupons calling for the interest of twenty years at 5 per cent, payable semi-annually. Each of the main officials must thus attach his signature to 2,400 bonds, for the entire issue is for no less sum than \$2,400,000. This job will take just four days, at the end of which time the bonds so suddenly made precious will be dispatched to Minneapolis and thence to London, where the cash is to be secured. A little matter of \$200,000 is already in the bank as a sort of nest egg for the main account.

Ample cash for operations on the most extensive scale will soon be here and at a date as early as skillful engineers and an army of men can make it, water will be flowing in a new canal the grandest known to the Salt River valley.

AN ESTRANGED FAMILY.

The Famous Divorce Case of Simms Against Simms.

Judge J. J. Hawkins of the district court of the Fourth district, occupied the bench at the district court for the greater portion of yesterday, Judge Baker being disqualified to act in the main case pending.

The action was one of divorce, John T. Simms seeking a dissolution of the bonds matrimonial that to him bind Mrs. Hannah Simms. For the plaintiff appeared Fitch & Campbell, Pierce Evans and Chas. F. Ainsworth. Lined up for the defendant were Judge J. H. Kibbey, Millay & Bennett and Judge W. H. Barnes. The case ran almost all the working hours of the court and was continued till dark. There was little dispute over the salient features of the testimony, yet the law-

yers found opportunity for hours of hot argument.

The complaint charges that defendant left plaintiff's bed and board back in December, 1894, and that prior to that date the two had not been living together in conjugal felicity for more than a year. The abandonment thus charged is denied by defendant, who alleges that she at all times, though without support from plaintiff, has been living at the homestead on Central avenue north of the city and has at all times expressed herself as ready to resume the usual marital relations with plaintiff. In the reply also is mentioned a little matter of \$5,000, which is asked of the court for the personal and legal expenses of defendant pending an adjudication of her rights.

At one time a counter application for divorce had been filed by Mrs. Simms, but that has been withdrawn and she now appears to simply oppose her husband's application. The community property is estimated to be worth \$200,000.

AN ADMIRABLE WOMAN DEAD.

Decease in Los Angeles of Mrs. May Heintz.

Los Angeles Independent: Mrs. May Heintz, wife of Mr. C. M. Heintz, editor and proprietor of The Rural Californian, departed this life on Sunday, March 1, 1896, aged 37 years and eight months. She was born in Pacific City, Iowa, of Methodist parentage. Her father was the Rev. E. Petefish, a member of the Des Moines conference. Her grandmother, wife of Rev. Wm. Armstrong (deceased) partly raised her. She was converted when but a child and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. She was faithful in all her relations to Sabbath school and church.

She came to Los Angeles for her health and resided here ever since.

The immediate cause of her death was heart failure brought on by anxiety and overwork, occasioned by sickness in the family. At the time of her death, five of the children were down with the scarlet fever.

She was married to Mr. Heintz June 20, 1879. She died leaving six children, the oldest 13, and the youngest three months.

Mrs. Heintz was a true wife, mother and friend. A lady writes from the east that after spending three months in the home of Mrs. Heintz she could truly say she never saw such a beautiful character as she showed. As a mother she perfectly controlled her family by love, her patience never failing her.

She possessed the graces of a Christian character in a marked degree. She went to sleep in great peace, trusting in Jesus. The blessing of a kind Heavenly Father will surely be given to the sorely stricken husband and motherless children.

THE STATEHOOD BILLS

They Are Considered in Committee.

A Warm Session But No Vote Is Taken.

Arguments Mainly Hinge on the Probable Addition to the Silver Strength.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Today's meeting of the house committee on territories was devoted to a discussion of the Arizona and New Mexico statehood bills. No vote was taken.

Delegates Murphy and Catron assented that the opponents of statehood were doing their talking merely as a filibustering move. Consequently the meeting was rather a warm one.

The two delegates vainly tried to induce the committee to vote and refused to be drawn into the debate, although the opponents of statehood asked them many questions. To prevent the consumption of time the delegates declined to answer most of the questions, taking the ground that the matter had been thoroughly discussed already.

The only test vote was that upon the consideration of the bills, which was carried six to five. Those voting for consideration were: Perkins, Republican of Iowa; Lefevre, Republican of New York; O. Avery, Republican of Michigan; Harris, Republican of Ohio; Turner, Democrat of Virginia; and Cooper, Democrat of Texas. Those against were Knox, Republican of Massachusetts; Taft, Republican of Ohio; Lowe, Republican of New York; Harrison, Democrat of Iowa; Owens, Democrat of Kentucky.

Taft, during the discussion, declared that congress could not blind his eyes to the fact that the admission of these two territories would add four votes for free silver to the senate. He argued that it was not fair that existing statutes should be changed in the midst of a great controversy like the financial question, and that the question should be settled by the Union as it now stands. He also charged that 25 per cent of the inhabitants of Arizona and 33 per cent of New Mexico are illiterate.

Senator Owens of Kentucky said the territories whose area was greater than that of New England and whose population was less than that required for a congressional district, were unfit for statehood. He also attacked the system of representation proposed for the constitutional convention in Arizona as a partisan one, devised to further Republican interests.

Senator Avery held that the only questions to be considered were the qualifications of the territory for statehood.

Senator Harris argued that the silver question should not be brought into the controversy.

ONLY FOR EFFECT.

The Reporting of the Statehood Bills From Committee.

DENVER, April 2.—A special to The News from Santa Fe says:

Governor Thornton returned home from Washington last night. He said:

"My impression is that there is no hope for the passage of the New Mexico or any other statehood bill during this session of congress. At first the Republican leaders decided to kill these bills in the committee room, but for the sake of aiding the territorial delegates in their canvass for re-election during the coming campaign, I believe it has been decided to report all statehood bills to the house. This, however, will merely be done for local effect and without any serious thought of favorable action. This seems to be the consensus of opinion of all with whom I have conversed on the subject in Washington."

HUGHES' EXPLANATION.

Charges That Forged Telegrams Wrought His Downfall.

TUCSON, April 2.—Whatever mystery has attached to the cause of Governor Hughes' removal has been dispelled by information received yesterday. As the charges preferred a year ago and investigated by special agents had been dismissed, it is supposed the cause of the removal was the circumstance that the governor favored the Arizona land lease bill vetoed by the president and passed over his veto.

It is now learned that several telegrams bearing the forged signatures of the governor were sent from the territory to members of congress urging the passage of the land lease bill over the president's veto. These telegrams were afterwards obtained by an opponent of Governor Hughes and shown to President Cleveland.

LENT AND EASTER.

Devotions That Will Mark the Year's Most Sacred Season.

Today is Good Friday, the anniversary of that greatest of sacrifices on Calvary's hill, nineteen centuries ago. In the Latin, Greek and English churches it is a day of most especial solemnity, a day of mourning, yet a day of thankfulness for the commission of the Divine act whereby were lifted the sins of mankind. Of all the days, it is the day for deep religious meditation, and for study of the evidences of the Divine will and beneficence.

Last night at both Catholic and Episcopal churches were services in commemoration of the last supper of the Lord, at the latter named being holy communion.

Today at the Episcopal church will be the full service of the denomination for the day. At 10 will be morning prayer and from 12 to 3 the continuous service of "The Seven Last Words." This service, commemorative of the last agonies of the Saviour, is divided into seven parts, each twenty minutes in length of time of delivery and each introduced by a hymn. Tomorrow, Holy Saturday, no services will be had, but on Easter Sunday, "Resurrection Day," will be elaborate celebration of the victory of the Redeemer over Death. The church will be decked in the flowers typical of immortality and the song service will be a feature to be remarked for excellence. There will be early celebration at 7:30 of holy communion; at 11 will be morning service and communion, and in the evening at 7:30 will be the Easter services of the Sunday school.

At the Catholic church, under the charge of the Franciscan fathers, the services will be of the greatest solemnity. The church and her people put on the ivery of woe, the church bell is silent, the windows of the church are darkened, the sanctuary is dim, the service of the mass is omitted and in its place is that of the "tenebrae," chanted by the priest, telling of the sacrifice of the Lamb. The service commences at 8 a. m. with Spanish sermon immediately after the blessing of the cross. At 3 p. m. the stations of the cross are recited and at 7:30 p. m. the rosary with an English sermon. The Easter services, as is always the case where a religious community has charge of Catholic parishes, will this year be most solemn and imposing.

Easter services will be held also at all the other churches of the city. At the Presbyterian church the evening will be given up to the Easter observance of the Knights Templar. Present will be Phoenix commandery in full regalia, led by Eminent Commander Chas. W. Johnstone. The service, consisting of ritual and lecture will be conducted by Sir Knight J. G. Hillsinger of Tucson.

Crash goes the tree before the blast! It had withstood the storms of many years, and was supposed to be good for many more; but dry-rot had eaten out its core, and little was left save the bark. So men in their prime often suddenly drop the burdens of life, and friends are plunged into grief. What was the mysterious cause? It is easy to say heart failure; but how much was due to the condition of the blood, the doctors seldom declare. Impure blood cannot but result from the mode of living with so many in this busy age. The signs of depraved blood being neglected, every organ, and especially the heart, becomes injuriously affected. There are only two courses to adopt; first, avoid the style of living which vitiates the circulation; secondly, when symptoms of blood impurity show themselves, begin without delay, a course of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the only blood purifier that can be relied upon to cleanse and invigorate the system; the only one adjudged worthy of exhibition at the Chicago World's Fair.

A popular article for ladies' summer wear is the dress-duck at Alkire's. A special drive on this, Saturday, tomorrow, at 10 cents per yard. Don't miss it.

COMMENT ON REMOVAL

Much Pleasure and No Regret.

Over the Substitution of Governor Franklin.

Two Kindly Words Are Given for the Outgoing Executive Officer.

Tempe News: The long looked for has come at last. Yesterday was flashed over the wires the news that Governor L. C. Hughes had been removed and that Hon. B. J. Franklin of Phoenix had been appointed in his place. The news was received with a burst of enthusiasm so earnest and without regard to political party that it left no doubt as to the position Mr. Hughes occupies in the estimation of the people. From the beginning his administration has been a stormy one and the change is particularly welcome because it is hoped that our internal strife will be speedily ended. Judge Franklin, the new appointee, is a man of high ability and unquestioned integrity. He has held with honor many prominent offices of trust. The News extends its congratulations to Governor Franklin.

THE GOVERNOR'S PAPER.

Tucson Star: _____

EFFECTIVE WARFARE.

Los Angeles Herald: Peace cometh again to the sun-kissed land of Arizona. "Pin-head" Hughes will, after a few days, cease to be governor of the territory. The ceaseless warfare kept up against him has been effective and he has either resigned or been removed. At any rate the president has appointed his successor in the person of Hon. B. J. Franklin, who resided for a brief time in Los Angeles a few years since. The new appointee is a gentleman of high character and distinguished ability. It is doubtful if the president could have made a better selection. The Herald hopes that under her new executive Arizona will continue her march on the highway of progress and that with the incoming administration the harmony that for some reason seemed lacking during that of Governor Hughes, will be fully restored.

LONG SUFFERING RELIEVED.

Sulphur Valley News: A long suffering people, the citizens of Arizona, are to have a change at last—whether for better or worse remains to be seen. Yesterday President Cleveland sent to the senate the nomination of Benjamin J. Franklin to succeed the present incumbent, L. C. Hughes, as governor of Arizona.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Jottings About Individuals and Their Actions.

Rev. H. A. Thompson is in the city on the course of his ministerial rounds. D. G. Chalmers, a well-known Democratic politician of Pima county, is at The Commercial with his wife.

W. H. Constable, the commission man of El Paso, is in Phoenix attending to the affairs of the local branch.

A. C. Bicknell of the Southern Pacific freight and passenger department arrived yesterday morning from El Paso.

Thompson Walker, one of the staunch old-line Republicans of Tempe, was in the city yesterday, getting at the bottom of matters political.

Harry DeBow, one of the best known miners in the territory and at one time justice of the peace at Tempe, is in the city buying supplies. He is doing well chloriding in the vicinity of Frog Tanks.

J. Monroe Heiskell, agent of the department of justice, who has been in the city for several weeks conducting an investigation into the official acts of Judge Baker, has concluded his work and left yesterday over the Santa Fe.

C. W. Sparrow of Lansing, Michigan, a capitalist extensively interested in the Lake Superior copper mines, left yesterday for California with his sister and Mrs. Geo. E. Ranney after a short stay. They are more than pleased with their visit and will return to here spend next winter.

Yesterday there arrived from Tucson that jolliest of good fellows, Andrew Jackson Halbert, usually known as "Jack." He has been a member of the board of supervisors of Maricopa county, its sheriff and a few other offices as well and has accumulated only friends. He is up for a week or so, and if he doesn't get familiar with the local Democratic situation it will not be for the lack of instructive and entertaining conversation. Mrs. Halbert and the children are at Tempe, but will be brought to Phoenix in a couple of days.